

BRIDGE ACROSS THE COOSA RIVER AT GADSDEN, ALA.

FEBRUARY 3, 1925.—Ordered to be printed

Mr. SHEPPARD, from the Committee on Commerce, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 10887]

The Committee on Commerce, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 10887) granting the consent of Congress to the State of Alabama, through its highway department, to construct a bridge across the Coosa River at Gadsden, Etowah County, Ala., on State road No. 1. having considered the same, report favorably thereon, and recommend that the bill do pass without amendment.

The bill has the approval of the Departments of War and Agriculture, as will appear by the annexed communications.

WAR DEPARTMENT, *December 22, 1924.*

Respectfully returned to the chairman Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, House of Representatives.

So far as the interests committed to this department are concerned, I know of no objection to the favorable consideration of the accompanying bill (H. R. 10887, 68th Cong., 2d sess.) granting the consent of Congress to the State of Alabama, through its highway department, to construct a bridge across the Coosa River at Gadsden, Etowah County, Ala., on State road No. 1, if amended as indicated in red thereon.

As the navigable portions of the Coosa River do not lie within the limits of a single State, the consent of Congress is required under section 9 of the river and harbor act of March 3, 1899 (30 Stat. 1151), for the construction of a bridge thereover.

JOHN W. WEEKS,  
*Secretary of War.*

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,  
*Washington, December 24, 1924.*

HON. SAMUEL E. WINSLOW,  
*Chairman Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce,  
United States House of Representatives.*

DEAR MR. WINSLOW: Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of December 18 inclosing a copy of H. R. 10887 for report thereon and for such views relative thereto as the department might desire to communicate.

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This bill would grant authority to the State of Alabama, through its highway department, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Coosa River at or near Gadsden, county of Etowah, State of Alabama. The proposed bridge will be on a road embraced in the system of Federal-aid highways approved for Alabama, is to be built by the State, and is to be operated as a free bridge. The department, therefore, would recommend favorable action thereon.

Sincerely,

HOWARD M. GORE, *Secretary.*

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